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TEMPERANCE AND FLOWER DAY

At Grace Church, June 19.

Order of the morning service.
Chant..... Congregation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Invocation.

Hymn..... Congregation.

RESCUE THE PERISHING.

Rescue the perishing,
Care for the dying,
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep o'er the erring one,
Lift up the fallen.
Tell them of Jesus, the mighty to save.
*Rescue the perishing,
Care for the dying,
Jesus is merciful,
Jesus will save.*

Rescue the perishing,
Duty Demands it;
Strength for thy labor the Lord will provide;
Back to the narrow way
Patiently win them
Tell the poor wanderer a Saviour has died.

RESPONSIVE READING.

Psalms 95.

Pastor—O, come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Congregation.—2. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

Pastor.—3. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

Cong.—4. In His hand are the deep places of the earth; the strength of the hills is His also.

Pastor.—5. The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands formed the dry land.

Cong.—6. O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

Pastor and Cong.—7. For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture and the Sheep of His hand.

DANGER SIGNALS ON THE WAY.

Pastor.—"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."—Prov. 20:1.

Cong.—"Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink."—Isa. 5: 22.

Pastor.—"Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning that they may follow strong drink; that con-

tinue until night, till wine inflame them!"—Isa. 5: 11.

Cong.—"Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!"—Hab. 2: 15.

Pastor.—"Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the Kingdom of God."—1 Cor. 6: 10.

Cong.—"Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine; for it is cut off from your mouth."—Joel 1: 5.

Pastor.—"Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares."—Luke 21: 34.

Cong.—"And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit."—Eph. 5: 18.

Pastor and Cong.—"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"—Ps. 27: 1.

Prayer.

Hymn..... Congregation.

MUST I GO AND EMPTY HANDED?

"Must I go and empty handed,"
Thus my dear Redeemer meet?
Nor one day of service give Him,
Lay no trophy at His feet.

"Must I go and empty handed,"
Must I meet my Saviour so?
Not one soul with which to greet Him,
Must I empty handed go!

Oh, the years of sinning wasted,
Could I but recall them now,
I would give them to my Saviour,
To His will I'd gladly bow.

Oh, ye saints, arouse, be earnest,
Up and work while yet 'tis day,
Ere the night of death o'ertake thee,
Strive for souls while still you may.

Sermon.

Text: There is an accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel.—Josh. 7: 13.

Prayer.

Voluntary..... Choir.

Offerings—Bring and offering and come into His courts.—Ps. 96: 8.

Chant, The Lord's Prayer. Congregation.

Benediction.

Greetings—A warm grasp of the hand. Come again.

Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.—Heb. 13: 2.

EVENING SERVICES BEGINNING AT 8 O'CLOCK.

Exercises by the children.

Order of service.

Opening chant.

Prayer.

Hymn..... Congregation.

YIELD NOT TO TEMPTATION.

Yield not to temptation,
For yielding is sin,
Each victory will help you
Some other to win;
Fight manfully onward,
Dark passions subdue,
Look ever to Jesus,
He'll carry you through.

Ask the Saviour to help you,
Comfort, strengthen and keep you,
He is willing to aid you,
He will carry you through.

2 Shun evil companions,
Bad language disdain,
God's name hold in reverence,
Nor take it in vain;
Be thoughtful and earnest,
Kindhearted and true,
Look ever to Jesus,
He'll carry you through.

Responsive Reading. Some Bible Wages.

Pastor.—"My son, let them not depart from thee; say, keep sound wisdom and discretion;

Cong.—"Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble."—Prov. 3: 21, 23.

Pastor.—"Be not among wine bibbers, among riotous eaters of flesh; for the drunkard and glutton shall come to poverty."—Prov. 23: 20, 21.

Cong.—"But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment."—Isa. 28: 7.

Pastor.—"Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contention? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without a cause? who hath redness of eyes?

Cong.—"They that tarry long at the wine, they that go to seek mixed wine."—Prov. 23: 29, 30.

Pastor.—"Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."—Prov. 23: 31, 32.

Cong.—"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."—Rom. 6: 23.

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Hymn.....Congregation.

WHITER THAN SNOW.

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want Thee forever to live in my soul;
Break down every idol, cast out every foe;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

*Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.*

Lord, Jesus, look down from thy throne in the
skies,
And help me to make a complete sacrifice;
I give myself, and whatever I know—
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than
snow.

Becitations and singing, etc.

Voluntary.....Choir.

Evening offerings.

God loveth a cheerful giver.—II.

Cor. 9: 7,

Doxology.

Benediction.

Pastor.—"Now unto Him that is
able to do exceeding abundantly
above all that we ask or think, ac-
cording to the power that worketh
in us.

Cong.—"Unto him be glory in the
church by Christ Jesus throughout all
ages, world without end.

All.—"Amen."—Eph. 3; 20, 21.

SURPRISED THEIR PASTOR.

The Congregation of Rev. Zartman Re-
member Him on His Birthday.

The home of Rev. and Mrs. A. K. Zartman, on East Washington street, was the scene of a very enjoyable event Wednesday evening. Wednesday was the birthday anniversary of Rev. Zartman, the pastor of Grace Church, and his congregation had arranged a surprise for him. In the evening, after prayer meeting, he was purposely detained at the church by a special session of the consistory, and when it adjourned he entered the parsonage to find it filled with members of his congregation and other friends who had called to extend him their congratulations.

It was a complete surprise, but Pastor Zartman adapted himself to the situation and, with the assistance of Mrs. Zartman, made the evening pass pleasantly for the large number of guests who had invaded his home. The ladies had arranged refreshments and when the guests were seated at the table Mr. Martin

Connett stepped forward and, on behalf of the congregation and as a testimonial of their regard and appreciation of his untiring services in behalf of the church, in a well worded speech presented his pastor with a purse containing \$30, which gift was gracefully acknowledged and feelingly responded to by Rev. Zartman.

After refreshments had been served, the time was spent in a social way and the large company lingered until a late hour to enjoy the hospitality of their pastor and his wife, who proved themselves to be most admirable entertainers. Rev. Zartman is now entering upon his fifth year as pastor of the Grace Church in this city. He has a rapidly growing congregation and enjoys the confidence and esteem of his people and a large circle of friends who wish him many more happy birthday anniversaries.

The above appeared in the Evening Sentinel under date June 9. The pastor acknowledges the surprise, although he had a faint surmising that something might transpire at the parsonage on the evening of the 8th. The actions of the members of the church were rather mysterious. A strange message arrived at the parsonage a few days previous, which read as follows:

Fort Wayne, Ind., June 6, 1892.

Rev. A. K. Zartman.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—There comes a time in nearly every one's life when the services of a minister are required.

Myself and lady will call on you on Wednesday evening next, immediately after prayer meeting at Grace Church.

Inclosed find \$5 for your services.

With respect,

One of yours.

From this message it was evident that the pastor had occasion to be in expectation of some sort of a tragedy, which should be enacted either at the church or parsonage on this evening, and in which he should play an important part. But we were surprised nevertheless, and were heartily delighted to meet so many of the members and friends of the church in our home. We are truly thankful to our people for the good-will which was manifested toward us upon this occasion, and especially also for the well filled purse with which we were presented, as a token of the kind-esteeem and affection which the people have for their pastor. May the Lord kindly watch over these people and abund-

antly bless them in all of their work of love and good-will.

THE anniversary services on Whit Sunday were well attended, and greatly enjoyed by the church. We were glad to have with us at the morning service, the Rev. Dr. Lloyd, who is a frequent attendant at our services. The Doctor seems very much like a father among our people and his brief talks and earnest entreaties are always heartily appreciated by the congregation. In the morning the pastor spoke on the subject, "Building a Spiritual Edifice." The service announced for the evening was to be more especially for the people, and by the people. The pastor gave a short talk on "Plans and Methods of Building a Church Edifice." Addresses were also made by some of the officers of the church. The members of the church are agreed, that, while we do not expect to build our auditorium this season, diligent efforts should be made to increase our building fund as much as possible during the present year. We are glad to see our people so much interested in this project. The longer we delay our building the more seriously the progress of the church will be retarded. It will require some self-denial on the part of our people to build, but this is an experience common to all churches when they enter upon such an enterprise. What above all other things is necessary to enable a church to succeed in such a project is, that the people may be of one mind, and have a will to work.

We hope that before the return of another anniversary of Grace Church ground will be broken for the church building. Let every member of the church imbibe this spirit and let us work unitedly and zealously to this end.

Mr. and Mrs. McAndrew, of St. Thomas, Ontario, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. Gavin. They are both enjoying good health. They are on their return trip from Atlanta, Ga., where Mr. McAndrew attended a convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

WHAT TEMPERANCE DOES.—Temperance puts coals on the fire, meal in the barrel, flour in the tub, money in the purse, credit in the country, contentment in the house, clothes on the children, vigor in the body, intelligence in the brain, and spirit in the whole constitution.—Benjamin Franklin.

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Our Annual Excursion to Rome City will occur sometime the last of July or in August. Make your arrangements to go with your church.

The next Quarterly Communion service will be held the first Sabbath in July. Applicants for church membership will be received at this service.

Mr. and Mrs. Grisso, of Springfield, Ohio, were in the city June 7, to attend the nuptials of Mr. George B. Humphrey and Miss Anna Vordermark.

Mrs. J. Horn has been confined to the house for several weeks on account of illness. She is now improving slowly and we hope may soon be able to be at our services again.

The Junior Society of Christain Endeavor will give a Lawn Social at the church Thursday evening, June 30th. They will serve ice cream and cake. Let us give the Juniors a substantial encouragement.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kirkham have opened a restaurant on Harrison street, between Main and Pearl. They have a very pleasant and inviting room. When you want a good square meal go and eat with them.

Willis and Etta Souder, Lillie Vordermark and possibly the pastor will attend the International Christian Endeavor Convention at New York City, July 7-10. The indications are now that there may be fifty delegates from Ft. Wayne to this convention.

Mr. Ed. Connett came to the parsonage on a recent morning and

presented the pastor's family with three quarts of the finest strawberries we ever saw. And they were just as delicious as they were nice looking. Thanks for the berries. Mr. Connett has a large yield of these berries and can supply a large number of orders.

Saturday afternoon June 11, the pastor attended the funeral of Inis Ulmer, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer, residing on Monroe street, between Washington and Jefferson. Inis was aged 7 years and some months. This little daughter was sick but a few days. She took with a severe attack of diphtheria, and the attending physicians were unable to do anything to check the ravages of this fearful disease. Inis was a very promising child and dearly loved by her parents and companions. The bereaved parents have our sympathy and prayers.

The following persons were received into membership with our church on Easter. By letter, Mr. and Mrs. William Ritzius. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Connet; by reprofession, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vordermark, and Edward Felker; by baptism and confirmation, Mrs. Mary A. Benedict. By confirmation, Willie Walters, Fredie Vordermark, Charles Knight, John Knight, Willie Rudisil, Georgie Nill, Perry Monn, Alto Alberty, Clara Haas, and Bertha Cour. Children baptized; son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vordermark and son of Mrs. Benedict.

Accessions on Anniversary day, June 5, by baptism and confirmation, George B. Humphrey; baptism of children, the three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James Cristie, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Chausse.

MARRIAGES.

At the parsonage Saturday evening, June 4, Mr. Edward Light and Miss Lena Schlegel.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Vordermark, 301 East Washington street, June 7th, their daughter Anna, and Mr. George B. Humphrey. After the ceremony and the serving of refreshments, Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey left for a short tour with friends at Toledo, Norwalk and Sandusky City, Ohio. They have since returned and are occupying pleasant rooms at 299 East Washington street. These young friends are both members of Grace Church, and we are assured that they have the hearty congratulations and good wishes of all our people.

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Prayer Meeting Topics.

June 19. Promise Meeting. 2 Peter 1: 4.—Mrs. Zartman.

June 26. Consecration Meeting. Triumph of the kingdom. Ps. 72: 1-19.—Lillie Walters.

July 3. Our Ascended Lord. Acts 1: 1-2. Lillie Vordermark.

July 10. The Christain's Guide. John 16: 1-15; Rom. 8: 13-17. Nora Romy.

July 18. Work for the Unsaved. I Cor. 9: 19-27; Acts 2: 47. Nellie French.

July 24. Power of Faith. Acts 3: 16; Hebrews 11: 32-40; 12: 1-2. D. W. Souder.

July 31. Consecration Meeting. Christ the only Savior. Acts 4: 1-2. Clara Piepenbrink.

JUNIOR SOCIETY.

Prayer meetings alternate Sabbath afternoons at 2:30

PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

June 19. Precious Promises. Matthew 11: 28-30.—Carrie Souder.

July 3. How to overcome everyday temptations. Rev. 3: 19-11. Josie Zartman.

July 17. Giving the best we have. Acts 3: 6-8. Anna Souder.

July 31. Jesus the Door. John 10: 7-9. Gloie Miller.

The Rev. Dr. Clark founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, will be in the city on the 29th of this month. A union service of all the Christian Endeavor Societies will be held at the First Presbyterian Church at 7 p. m. This is to be a grand rally of all the endeavorers in the city. A programe has been arranged for this meeting, the most interesting part of which will be an address by Dr. Clark. We hope that all our young people, and in fact all the members of Grace Church will avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing the "Father of the Christian Endeavor Society."

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